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SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$7,500,000
RESERVE FUND 4,300,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS 7,500,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.—
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COUNTY BANK.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED AT
ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNT AT
the rate of 2 per cent per Annum on the
daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS—
For 3 months, 3 per Cent per Annum
For 6 months, 4 per Cent per Annum
For 12 months, 5 per Cent per Annum.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

CREDITS granted on approved Securities,
and every description of BANKING and
EXCHANGE business transacted.

DRAFTS granted on London, and the chief
commercial places in Europe, India, Australia,
America, China and Japan.

G. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1889. [6]

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK
CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL £2,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL 500,000.

Registers Office, 40, THREADNEEDLE STREET,
LONDON.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN
AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives MONEY ON DEPOSIT,
Buys and Sells BILLS OF EXCHANGE,
ISSUES LETTERS OF CREDIT, FORWARDS BILLS FOR
COLLECTION, and Transacts Banking and
Agency Business generally, on terms to be had
on application.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS:
Fixed for 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum.
6 " 4 "
3 " 3 "

ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS
2 per Cent. per Annum on the Daily Balance.

APPROVED CLAIMS on the ORIENTAL
BANK CORPORATION, in Liquidation, or the
BALANCES of such claims, purchased on
advantageous terms.

AGENCY OF THE NATIONAL LIFE ASSURANCE
SOCIETY.

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.
HONGKONG BRANCH.

RULES
OF THE
HONGKONG SAVINGS
BANK.

1.—THE BUSINESS of the above BANK
will be conducted by the HONGKONG
AND SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION, on their premises in
Hongkong. Business Hours on WEEK-
DAYS, 10 to 3; SATURDAYS, 10 to 1.
2.—SUMS LESS THAN \$1, OR MORE THAN
\$100 in one bill will not be received. No
Deposit may deposit more than \$2,500
in any one year.

3.—DEPOSITORS in the SAVINGS BANK,
having \$100 or more at their credit may at
their option transfer the same to the HONG-
KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION on fixed deposit for 12
months at 5 per cent per annum interest.

4.—INTEREST at the rate of 3½% per
annum will be allowed to Depositors on
their daily balances.

5.—EACH DEPOSITOR will be supplied gratis
with a PASS-BOOK, which must be presented
with each payment or withdrawal.
Depositors must not make any entries them-
selves in their PASS-BOOKS, but should send
them to be written up at least twice a year,
about the beginning of January and
beginning of July.

6.—CORRESPONDENCE as to the business
of the bank if mailed ON HONGKONG
SAVINGS BANK BUSINESS, will be
forwarded free by the various British Post
Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—WITHDRAWALS may be made on demand,
but the personal attendance of the
Depositor or his duly appointed Agent, and
the production of his PASS-BOOK, are
necessary.

FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

G. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1889. [9]

NOTICE.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA
DOCK COMPANY,
LIMITED.

SHIPMasters AND ENGINEERS
are respectfully informed that, if upon
their arrival in this HARBOUR none of the
COMPANY'S FOREMEN should be at hand,
ORDERS FOR REPAIRS, if sent to the
HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive
prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found
necessary, communication with the Undersigned
is required, when immediate steps will be taken
to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th August, 1889. [14]

Intimations.

W. BREWER.

HAS JUST RECEIVED:

SWEET CAPORAL CIGARETTES.
Straight Cut
Three Castles Tobacco.
Myrtle Grove
Golden Cloud
Amber Tipped Cigarette Paper.
Macgregor's Engineers Almanack.
Illustration Engineers Handbook.
Seaton's
Roller Mill Almanack.

Congcertinas.
Cheap Commercial Envelopes.

W. BREWER'S
CHEAP PRINTING OFFICE,
Opposite HONGKONG HOTEL.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1889.

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KELLY & WALSH, LTD.

RECENT WORKS RELATING TO CHINA AND JAPAN.

REIN'S INDUSTRIES OF JAPAN.

Beale's Life of Huen Tiang.

Dragon, Image and Demon or the Three
Religions of China, by H. C. Doe.

Dyer Ball's How to speak Cantonese.

Dyer Ball's Cantonese made easy.

Dyer Ball's How to write the Radicals.

Dyer Ball's New Japanese Dictionary with
vocabularies of Buddhist Terms.

Hepburn's New Japanese Dictionary.

Japanese Stories for Children with native
illustrations.

Collection of Japanese Koko Music.

Hughes' Among the Sons of Man.

Colquhoun's Across Chrys.

Colquhoun's Among the Shans.

Colquhoun's The Opening of China.

Director's Truth about Opium.

General Messy's Poem.

Colquhoun's Truth about Bonquin.

Parker's Chinese account of the Opium War.

Wade's Tzu Eh-chai, New Ed.

Xenophon's Historical Atlas of China.

Steven's Around the World on a Bicycle, (the chapters relating to China and Japan are very
interesting.)

Agents for the publications of the Imperial Chinese Maritime Customs.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1889. [17]

THE

HALL & HOLTZ CO.,
LIMITED.

ARE NOW SHOWING IN THEIR

FURNISHING DEPARTMENT.

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JUST LANDED.

1,000 Pairs of LACE CURTAINS at Manufacturers' Prices.

ART-MUSLINS for CURTAINS.

CURTAIN MATERIALS in great variety.

HINKS IMPROVED PATENT SAFETY LAMPS.

BEDSTEAD'S & BEDDING, FENDERS & FIRE IRONS.

EARTH CLOSETS, PASTEUR and other FILTERS.

HOUSE PAINTED and DECORATED in the latest Home styles; for Designs and
Estimates apply to the MANAGER.

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THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE LTD

Hongkong, 12th March, 1889. [63]

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

HAS JUST UNPACKED A QUANTITY OF NEW GOODS

INCLUDING NEW DINNER SETS.

ELECTRO-PLATED WARE.

LAMPS.

JINRICKSHA LAMPS.

GARDEN TOOLS.

PLAIN COIR MATTING.

VEGETABLE SEEDS.

LAWN GRASS SEEDS.

NEW FIRE GRATES,

&c., &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1889. [28]

ROBERT LANG & CO.,

TAILORS, HATTERS, SHIRTMAKERS, AND GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTERS.

HAVE RECEIVED THEIR SECOND DELIVERY

OF WINTER COATINGS TWEED, and DRESS SUITING, TROUSERINGS and
ULSTER TWEEDS.

A very stylish selection.

OUR OUTFITTING STOCK IS ALSO COMPLETE IN SEASONABLE GOODS.

QUEEN'S ROAD (Opposite HONGKONG HOTEL).

Hongkong, 14th January, 1889. [88]

W. POWELL & CO.

Victoria Exchange, Hongkong, 9th March, 1889. [6]

A. HAHN,
PIANO TUNER AND REPAIRER.

ON HIRE PIANOS FOR SALE

Address: 10 HONGKONG HOTEL or No. 11, ELGIN STREET.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1888. [71]

Notices of Firms.

MITSU BISHI COLLIERY AGENCY.

NOTICE.

ON and after the 1st proxime Mr. H. U. JEFFRIES will assume charge of this Agency.

H. J. H. TRIPP.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1889. [259]

Consignees.

Occidental and Oriental Steamship Company.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship
"OCEANIC."

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from along-side.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel
und expense.

CHS. D. HARMAN,

Hongkong, 13th March, 1889. [1]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

Steamship "MORAY,"
FROM LIVERPOOL, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed
that all goods, are being landed at their risk
into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf
and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence
and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice
to the contrary be given before NOON, TO-
MORROW.

All Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 18th instant, will be subject to rent.

No Claims against the Steamer must be
presented to the Undersigned on or before the
18th instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
ADAMSON, BELL & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1889. [287]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 3/3 A. I. American Ship

"PACTOLUS."

Burnham, Master, will load here for the above
Port, and will have quick despatch.

Intimations.

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA,
L I M I T E D ,
C H E M I S T R Y .

D I S I N F E C T A N T S .

DAKIN BROTHERS'
S O L U B L E C R E S O L .

T H E N O N - P O I S O N O U S .
For flushing drains, latrines, washing floors &c., part in 1,000, or a table-spoonful in a large bucketful of water, is sufficient to prevent putrefaction and destroy the contagious matter of Typhoid, Small-pox, Diphteria, Cholera, &c.

A weak solution sprinkled on the floor will drive away flies and mosquitoes.

Used in the daily bath in the proportion of a table-spoonful to a large tub of water it is very refreshing; it has a highly beneficial effect on the health and prevents contagion.

DAKIN BROTHERS'
CRIMSON DISINFECTING,

F L U I D ,

W I T H O U T S M E L L .

N O N - P O I S O N O U S .
For purifying the air of Sick-rooms, neutralizing all Contagion, and preventing the spread of Infectious Diseases.

DAKIN BROTHERS'
C A R B O L I C P O W D E R .
I N S P R I N K L E R T I N S .

(Telephone No. 60.)
Hongkong, 11th March, 1889.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.,
Established A.D. 1841.

WATSON'S
E X T R A S U P E R F I N E T O I L E T S O A P S .
Specially made with the finest and best materials and perfumed with the choicest Floral Extracts.

The following kinds are those in most general use and demand:—

Watson's Pure Transparent Soap.
(Unscented).

" " " Glycerine Soap.
" " " Shaving Soap.

Watson's Pure Opaque Toilet Soap.

The following are the favorite kinds:—

Treble Scented Cold Cream Soap.

" " " White Windsor Soap.

" " " Musk Brown Windsor Soap.

" " " Pure Bloom of Lavender Soap.

" " " Pure Hard Water Soap.

Celebrated Naples Soap, &c.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1889.

MARRIAGE.

At the Roman Catholic Cathedral, by the very Rev. G. Burghignoli, pro-vicar apostolic, GEORGES D'ARNOUX, Comte de Limoges St. Sadiq, Deputy Commissioner of Customs, to JULIE BARDA.

BIRTH.

At 25, Szechuan Road, Shanghai, on the 10th March, Mrs. JAS. R. TWENTYMAN, of a daughter.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

It is proposed to start a Land Investment Company in Singapore with a capital of two million dollars.

The Portuguese gunboat *Tajo* arrived at Chin-kiang on the 10th inst., and took up a berth above Garlic Hill.

H.M.S. *Alacrity*, with Admiral Sir Nowell Salmon on board, was to leave Shanghai for Hankow on the 13th inst.

The steamship *Chefoo* is reported to have been on the south bank of Taku bar on the 6th inst., with a tug boat trying to tow her off.

The Japanese Engineering Company has ordered from England another dredger, which is to be used in the dredging of the Tokyo Bay.

The British North Borneo manslaughter case, in which Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C., appeared for Mr. Bruch, the defendant, ended in an acquittal.

A CORRESPONDENT writes from Chefoo to the *Shanghai Mercury* on the 9th inst., that thirty of the boatmen in the Customs Service had struck work.

We learn that Mr. W. H. Wilkinson, of H.B.M. Consular Service, has been temporarily transferred from Swatow to Tamsui, to take charge of the Consulate at the latter port.

MAGISTRATE.—Madam, your husband charges you with assault. Madam—Yes, your honor; I asked him if he would ever cease to love me, and he was so slow in answering that I hit him with a mop. I'm only a woman, your honor [sic], and a woman's life without love is mere blight.

We read of some extraordinary revelations that have recently been made in connection with the proceedings of some of the land-investment societies in Melbourne. In one case two of the directors have been compelled to refund £4400 which the shareholders considered they had no legal right to appropriate.

John WARREN, a marine belonging to H.M.S. *Alacrity*, slipped off Fogg's Jetty at Shanghai on the night of the 10th inst., and was drowned. He was buried on the 12th with military honours, Admiral Salmon, the officers of the *Alacrity*, and *Constance* and about a hundred men from these vessels being present.

They are certainly improving. Smart society women in England now wear shoulder-lights with their low-necked dresses. The elastic webs alluded to can be purchased of all sorts, to suit the blonde or the brunet, the sanguine flesh of the red-haired girl, or the pallid and cadaverous anatomy of the washed-out spinner.

INTERVIEWED on the subject of marriage, Mlle. Jeanne Granier, a French actress, said: "I am convinced no artist, whether actress, actor, painter, musician or sculptor, should ever get married. An artist should be free to love his art with his whole heart and soul. Although I have never been married myself, I know pretty well what marriage means. It has no secrets for me."

The Sydney *Bulletin* cheerfully remarks that the doctors who killed the Emperor Frederick are still doing their utmost to slay each other, but with poor results. They are all publishing disgusting pamphlets about cancer, and tracheotomy, and morbid growths, and abscesses, and malignant tumours, and the like, but, as they do not take each other's medicine, no fatal results are expected.

the Government. To establish freedom of worship in intolerant Manila is paramount to razing to the ground the whole edifice of clerical oppression.

We heartily congratulate the inhabitants of Manila and of the Philippines generally on the inestimable privilege which the Spanish Government, with rare presence, has at last seen fit, or found it necessary to concede to the growing demand, universal all over the world, for freedom in religious belief. For some time past a strong element in the Philippines has been steadily working for liberty of conscience and for the civil rights due to all citizens; their aspirations have doubtless been reported to the Spanish Government, whose sensible action in recognising that the tyranny of the Inquisition and the intolerance of the Middle Ages are not suited to the days in which we now live will command itself to all impartial observers. This is at last the thin end of the wedge; it will prove the beginning of the end so far as clerical domination in a free country is concerned.

THE SPANISH CRUISER *Aragon*, Capt. A. Soler, arrived this morning from Manila, and exchanged salutes with H.M.S. *Victor Emmanuel* and the port. The *Aragon* will go into dock for repairs, and according to Manila papers, will remain here from three to four months.

THE fighting in British North Borneo between the Government forces and the followers of Pangarang Sabander has ceased and a friendly arrangement been arrived. Pangarang surrenders his territory for a consideration of \$1,800 per annum and some other little pickings, among which one of \$300 for "head money," is a conspicuous item.

THE N. C. Daily News is informed that telegrams have been received from the Viceroy of Chihli and from the Customs Taotai at Chefoo, to the effect that measures have been taken which will assuredly prevent the outbreak at Chefoo of a disturbance which was feared by some persons to arise at that port, and that there is no cause for alarm.

MESSRS. S. C. Farnham & Co. of Shanghai, have contracted to build a steamer for Mr. Tong-king-ying, manager of the Kai ping Colliery Co.; she is to be finished in August and will run between the coal *depot* at Taku and "Su-shun-kio" (Port Arthur), Wei-hai-wei and Chefoo. A second one is to be built to run from the coal *depot* at Taku to Shanghai.

THE Shanghai Horse Bazaar held the first pony racing of the season on the afternoon of the 11th inst., when twenty-three fine looking griffins were put up, fifteen of which were sold at good prices, the highest figure paid being taels 20. Another griffin realised taels 155, and the others were disposed of at figures ranging between taels 105 and 30.

KING MILAN'S AbdICATION.

King Milan has abdicated in favor of his son, Monsieur Ristich and two Generals have been appointed Regents.

There is no doubt that the situation is exciting some uneasiness.

THE NAVAL DEFENCES.

LONDON, 8th March.

Lord George Hamilton announced that the Government proposed to build seventy new battle ships and cruisers at a cost of twenty-one and a half millions.

THE ARMY ESTIMATES.

Mr. E. Stanhope said that the increase in the Army Estimates was due to the new magazine rifle, and the increase of Colonial Garrisons.

THE "SULTAN" STRANDED.

H.M.S. ironclad *Sultan* is stranded off Malta.

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ONE MILE RACE; winners at previous meetings to be penalised 100 yards for first win, and 50 additional for a succeeding win; First prize presented by Major H. J. H. Tripp; second and third prizes given by the Committee. R. F. Lammett, first; R. E. Humphreys, second; L. Rose, third; J. Barnes, o; A. Richardson, o; P. Fredericksen, o; Ross Thompson, o. Won easily in 5 min. 23 secs.

THREE-LEGGED RACE.—120 YARDS; post entries; prize presented by the Committee.

Potts and Burf, first; H. Sampson and Rodger, second. Time 1 min. 15 secs.

CONSOLIDATION RACE.—100 YARDS; open to all Competitors who have run at the meetings, but have not won a prize; prize presented by H. N. Esq.

R. Markwick, first; P. Fredericksen, second; E. J. Coxon, third. After a splendid finish Markwick won by a foot, with a yard dividing second and third. Time 1 min. 25 secs.

CLOSE OF HOSTILITIES IN BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

The following news has come in to-day (March 8th) by wire from Manila, per H. M. S. *Sappho* from Labuan, and is confirmed by letters also received to-day from Borneo direct:

The correct state of affairs is as here given. Pagaran Shabindar has signed a treaty before Governor Hamilton, countersigned by Governor Crough, of British North Borneo in which he agrees by way of reparation to surrender all his territory for the sum of \$1,800 per annum, together with \$100 poll-tax money, agreed to be paid to him by Governor Treacher, two years ago.

The above information is taken from the letters of Governor Crough and Mr. D. D. Daly, Resident at the West Coast.

The curious nature of the relations existing between Sarawak and North Borneo are indicated by the invitation given by the Rajah of Sarawak to the Pangkor to take up his abode within his territory at Muara. This will in part account for the strange version of the conclusion of peace which came through Sarawak to Singapore the other day.

A friend writes to us:—The *Royalist* brought 45 Sikhs back from Labuan (Borneo) who were not any longer required, as the war is over. The Captain of the *Royalist*, state Shabindar gets \$1,800 per year for his possessions, and he is going to live at Moara on the territory of the Raja of Sarawak, who is building a house for him there.

The *Royalist* brought Mr. J. Francis, Q.C., who went over from Hongkong to defend Mr. Brach, who was accused of manslaughter in the case of the murder of Mr. Tom. Mr. Brach was tried and acquitted, which will be a great relief and satisfaction to the other Borneo planters, who must for their own safety keep up their prestige on the estate and have hardly any police protection.—*Singapore Free Press*.

TIENTSIN.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT)

Tientsin, 6th March 1889. The Taku bar light-vessel was placed in position on Tuesday, March 2nd.

The bar buoys are to be placed in position on Thursday, March 7th. To-day the ice had completely disappeared.

The steamers *Smith* and *Cass* have reduced the first class passenger rates between Shanghai and Chefoo and Tientsin and also the rates for Chinese passengers and cargo; a return ticket from Shanghai to Tientsin is now Tls. 50, by train, against Tls. 60 by other lines. Mr. W. Forbes is now their agent in Tientsin, and it is said the steamers will run all the year and give a return of 20 per cent. to contributors of business.

The Peipo Tug & Lighter Co. is still running in opposition to the Taku Tug & Lighter Co. and there seems no chance of an amalgamation. The Taku Co. has evidently got all the business. They now issue tickets from outside the bar to Tientsin, per tow-boat and railway—\$2, first class; and \$1, second class, which is a great convenience to Chinese passengers.

The U.S.-gunboat *Palos* was to leave Tientsin to day at 8 a.m.—*Shanghai Mercury*.

NOTES FROM CHINESE PAPERS.

Mr. Murata, the Japanese Consul at Fusan, Korea, has received an official intimation from the Korean Government that in consequence of the bad harvest in Corea last year, from the 29th May all rice and other cereals from Japan will be imported free of duty.

The official now in charge of the Military Secretariat, or special military bureau of the Formosa Government, is the ex-Provincial Treasurer of the Province of Kweichow, named Shih Khi-tien. Though 70 years old, he is as bright and active as a man of half that age, and gained much *honor* by the ability he displayed in coping with the insurrection at Chang-hua last year. On 16th February he celebrated his 70th birthday, with much pomp and ceremony.

A French contractor from Tientsin has obtained from the Governor of Formosa a preliminary contract for two steel mortars, gauge 65 millimetres, and 500 shells for same, each mortar to cost £164, or £128 for the two with gun-carriages complete, and £123 for the shells, or in all £341, which includes freight to Tamsui. An advance of £400 is paid, the remainder will be paid by Messrs. Russell & Co. when the cannon arrive at Tamsui, which is to be within five months. Before they are shipped from France, they are to be tested in presence of the Chinese Envoy to that country. The contract is drawn up in French and Chinese.

In 1887 the Japanese Government formed the design of uniting Japan with the Liu-Kiu Islands by a submarine telegraph cable, but the deputy sent to report on the scheme reported that the expense would be very large, it was allowed to drop for a time. Liu-Kiu being, however, of the utmost importance to Japan from a military point of view, the Boards of War and of Admiralty determined to assist the Board of Communications with funds, so that the cable might be laid as soon as possible, contributing two-fifths of the total sum required, which is £30,000, and leaving the other three-fifths to be provided by the Board of Communications. In two years the work of laying the cable will be completed.

In consequence of a telegram received from the Director of the Yellow River Works, (Wu Ta-cheng), the Director of the Kiangsu Arsenal has detached from his establishment the following officers, for surveying and mapping service according to the European fashion:—Kia Pu-wu for surveying; Koh Yin for calculations and statistics; Hwang Chung for mapping; Chang Yuan-ki for photographing. On 4th March these officers received passports from Kung Tzai-tai, and embarked on the steamer *Kuang-kuan* for Chinkiang; thence they go by water to Tsin-kiang, thereby land on to the scene of their labours in Honan. The first named is the head of the expedition.

The *Shih Pao* has an account of the visits of the Emperor to Prince Tun in his faint illness. H. H. is said to have died of a disease of the legs complicated with a lung complaint, apparently, as he suffered from excessive coughing and expectoration. He knelt on his bed to receive the Emperor, and particularly requested that the Imperial marriage might not be deferred on account of anything that might happen to him. One of the Emperor's visits was paid in such haste, that the officers who got the streets into presentable condition by a temporary dwelling process for the Emperor to pass on such short notice, were considered to have deserved the present of Tls. 600 which the Emperor ordered to be given to them.

The acting French Consul at Canton, (who is formerly Interpreter at Shanghai), after a year spent at Canton, received orders to succeed to occupy the newly appointed office of French Consul at Lung-chow, in the Southwest of Kungsi. The Consul, who is familiar with the Chinese written character and of great judicial experience, is much esteemed by the Viceroy Chang Chi-tung, and H. E. on hearing the news requested the French Envoy at Peking to telegraph to the French Capital to have the transfer countermanded. This was agreed to by the French Foreign Office, and we are glad that France will continue to be represented at the important port of Canton by an official of such very friendly terms with the Chinese officials with whom he has to transact international business.

A friend from Kuangtung Province has told us the following strange story, illustrating the severity of the lynch law which is enforced in some of the rural districts of China:

In the villages of the Ho-han *Hien*, in the Chao-king Prefecture Kuangtung Province, the village law is very severe against thieves, and if he is caught in the act, the people endeavour to exact from him compensation for everything stolen before from any one during the entire year, even making him sell his field, sons and daughters without mercy if necessary; and if he is destitute of everything, exacting compensation from his next and distant relatives. A gambler and an opium-smoker of the village of Weitang, being without a regular livelihood and at his wits' end to obtain the wherewithal for a pipe of opium lately concealed the unlucky project of annexing a neighbour's soul, which he heard clucking outside his door. He was caught by the watchman and dragged before the village council, who tried the case in the Ancestral Temple, and condemned him to pay for all that had been stolen during the year. He was obliged to take his eldest daughter to Canton for sale, and returned with the means of paying the fine, with a balance of \$20 over. He has become a reformed character, and works for his living, but his wife died of grief soon after the sale of her daughter.

To-day's Advertisements.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF
HONGKONG,
No. 116.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 16th inst., at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1889. [329]

VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT.
TO BE GIVEN IN THE
HALL OF THE CLUB LISUTANO,

ON
WEDNESDAY,
the 20th March, 1889, at 9 P.M.

In aid of the FUND FOR AN ORGAN for the
ROMAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL

DIRECTOR.....MAESTRO CATTANEO.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST PART.

1.—Frances, Coro.....AMADORES.

2.—Death or Glory, Romanza (baritone).....Mr. E. W. CROW.

3.—Erman (soprano).....Invulani.

4.—Noturno de Chopin.....Miss LAURA LEIRIA.

5.—Mira, Noima.....CAROLINA SOUSA.

6.—Duetto (soprano e mezzo soprano).....EDITH CARVALHO.

7.—Stella, Confidente, (Basso, com acompañamiento de Rabeca e Flauta).....Mr. C. EVANS.

8.—Linda di Chamouny, Aria (soprano).....Miss EDITH CARVALHO.

9.—Mira, Noima.....Mrs. MARIA GUEDES.

10.—Tuttini Maschera, Sestetto.....Mr. C. H. LAMMERT.

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15.—Tutti i Maschera, Sestetto.....Mr. C. H. LAMMERT.

16.—Don Carlos, Aria Dramatica (basso).....O. BACHRACH.

17.—L'Estat, Vals.....O. BACHRACH.

18.—D'Ardiri (soprano).....Mrs. J. D. HUMPHREYS.

19.—Minstrel Boy, Fantastic piano de Flauta de POPE.....Miss CAROLINA SOUZA.

20.—Aria dell'ebro, (soprano).....IGNEZ D'ALMADA.

21.—Aria dell'ebro, (soprano).....E. CASTRO.

22.—Only Once more, Romanza (baritone).....Mr. E. W. MAITLAND.

23.—Parla Valsa, D'Ardiri, (mezzo soprano).....Mrs. MARIA GUEDES.

24.—Furiani, Duetto (Mr. W. E. CROW, baritono e basso).....O. BACHRACH.

25.—PRICE OF ADMISSION—Not under Two Dollars. Tickets may be obtained at the Office of the CLUB LISUTANO from TUESDAY, the 19th instant, and from Maestro CATTANEO.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1889. [328]

THE HONGKONG BRICK AND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods, &c. Policies granted in all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1888. [329]

NOTICE.

THE NEXT MEETING of the LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY will be held

at 8.45 P.M. on MONDAY, March 18th, 1889.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1889. [329]

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Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE, NO. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1889. [329]

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NOTICE.

M. R. JOHN MEIER has been authorized to sign our Firm from this date.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1889. [340]

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

FROM this date, and during the absence of Mr. JAS. B. COUGHTRIE from the Colony, Mr. GEORGE LOMER TOMLIN has been appointed ACTING SECRETARY to the Company.

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Commercial.

TO-DAY.
THE SHARE MARKET.

1 o'clock.
Since we last wrote Punjoms have been again rushed up to 50, but the spurt was not maintained and there are now sellers at 48. A few Luzons have changed hands at 87 and there are further buyers at that rate. The sale of a small lot of the Hongkong Land Investment Co.'s scrip at 130 has been reported, but this stock is decidedly firmer than has been the case for days past. Nothing else has come under observation.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—163 per cent.
Premium, buyers.

Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$110 per share, sellers.

China Traders' Insurance Company—\$80 per share, sellers.

North China Insurance—Tls. 290 per share, buyers.

Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$115 per share, sellers.

Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 100 per share, sellers.

Chinese Insurance Company—\$160 per share, sellers.

On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150, per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$370 per share, sellers.

China Fire Insurance Company—\$82 per share, sales.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—48 per cent, premium, sellers.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.,—\$23 per share, buyers.

China and Manila Steam Ship Company—172 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Gas Company—\$135 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Hotel Company—\$185 per share, ex div, buyers.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—par, sellers.

Douglas Steamship Company—\$73 per share, buyers.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$89 per share, sales and sellers.

Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$87 per share, sales and buyers.

Hongkong Ice Company—\$62 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$80 per share.

Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$124 per share, sellers.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—100 per cent, premium, sellers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—23 per cent, premium, sellers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—5 per cent, premium, buyers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—11 per cent, premium.

Hongkong Manufacturing Company, Limited—100 per share, nominal.

Pearl Jade & Smelting Company—\$30 per share, sellers.

Punjom and Sungtoh Dua Samuan Mining Co.—\$8 per share, sales and sellers.

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—80 per cent, premium, sellers.

Touquin Coal Mining Co.—35 percent, premium, sellers.

The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—20 per cent, premium, sellers.

The East Borneo Planting Co., Limited—\$45 per share, sellers.

March 16. *Berney*, British str., for Kobe, &c.

March 16. *Diamante*, British steamer, for Amoy, &c.

March 16. *Glengyle*, British steamer, for Shanghai.

March 16. *Phra Chula Chem Klae*, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.

March 16. *Frijsr*, Danish steamer, for Haiphong.

March 16. *Glenlyle*, British steamer, for Shanghai.

March 16. *Marie*, German steamer, for Haiphong.

March 16. *Oanfa*, British steamer, for Singapore, &c.

March 16. *Ranvay*, British steamer, for Kobe, &c.

March 16. *Marie*, British steamer, for Amoy.

March 16. *Apennade*, British steamer, for Singapore.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s Register)
To-day.

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Ganges*, with the next English mail, left Singapore at 6 a.m., on the 12th instant, and is expected here on or about the 19th.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The Canadian Pacific S. S. Co.'s steamer *Abyssinia*, with the Canadian mail, from Vancouver on the 19th ultimo, left Yokohama on the 21st instant for Nagasaki, Shanghai and Hongkong.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Nestor*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 8th instant, and is due here on the 16th.

The China Shippers' Mutual S. N. Co.'s steamer *Ningchow*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore for this port on the 10th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 17th.

The "Glen" line steamer *Glenlyle*, from London, left Singapore on the 10th instant, and is due here on the 17th.

The "Shire" line steamer *Glamorganshire*, from London, left Singapore on the 14th instant, and is due here on the 21st.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

Sapphire, British cruiser, 3rd-class, 2,000 tons, 2,360 horse-power, 12 guns, Captain W. C. Karslake, 15th March,—Labuan 3rd March, and Manila 11th.

Glenlyle, British steamer, Gasson, 15th March,—London 1st Feb., and Singapore 10th March, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Kaiyong, British steamer, 977, Thomas Gyles, 16th March,—Tientsin, Chefoo, Shanghai, and Swatow 15th March, General.—Russell & Co.

Freja, Danish steamer, 419, Lund, 14th March,—Haiphong 21st February, and Singapore 5th March, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Fame, British steamer, 17, A. Stapani,—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

FORMOSA, British steamer, 674, T. Hall, 13th March,—Tamsui, and Amoy 11th March, General.—D. Laprade & Co.

Freja, Danish steamer, 419, Lund, 14th March,—Haiphong 11th March, General.—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

HAITAN, British steamer, 1,183, T. G. Foenck, 13th March,—Foochow 10th March, Amoy 11th, and Swatow 12th, General.—D. Laprade & Co.

INGRAHEN, German steamer, 391, T. R. Massmann, 14th March,—Manila 11th March, Mails and General.—Melchers & Co.

GUTHRIE, British steamer, 1,467, H. Craig, 9th March,—Sydney 9th Feb., Cape Moreton 11th, Keppel Bay 13th, Townsville 14th, Cooktown 15th, Thursday Island 21st, and Port Darwin 27th, Coal and General.—Russell & Co.

HAITAN, British steamer, 1,183, T. G. Foenck, 13th March,—Foochow 10th March, Amoy 11th, and Swatow 12th, General.—D. Laprade & Co.

ONIAGO, German steamer, 762, Schulz, 15th March,—Whampoa 11th March, General.—Slemssen & Co.

ONIAGO, British steamer, 1,950, W. S. Thomson, 15th March,—Kobe 9th March, General.—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

OCEANIC, British steamer, 3,818, Jno. Metcalfe, 1st March,—San Francisco 13th Feb., and Yokohama 7th March, Mails and General.—O. & O. S. S. Co.

PHRA CHULA CHOM KLAE, British steamer, 1,012, A. Benson, 13th March,—Bangkok 7th March, Rice—Yuen Fat Hong.

PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stapani,—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

RECORDE, British steamer, 676, C. O. Madge, 15th March,—Honduras 12th March, Telegraph Cable.—E. E. Telegraph Co.

RED SEA, British steamer, 2,112, C. Baker, 15th March,—Hiogo 7th March, Rice.—Butterfield & Swire.

SACHISEN, German steamer, 2,874, K. von Goeschel, 15th March,—Shanghai 15th March, Mails and General.—Melchers & Co.

SARTHE, French steamer, Léchéne, 13th March,—Hilo 8th March, Sapanwood.—A. R. Marti.

TAISANG, British steamer, 1,505, Jackson, 13th March,—Calcutta, and Singapore 6th March, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

THALES, British steamer, 820, Hunter, 15th March,—Taiwanfoo 11th March, Amoy 12th, and Swatow 14th, General.—D. Laprade & Co.

TITAN, British steamer, 1,538, R. J. Brown, 14th March,—Singapore 8th March, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

DEPARTURES.

March 16. *Berney*, British str., for Kobe, &c.

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March 16. *Vorwaerts*, German steamer, for Haiphong.

March 16. *Triumph*, German steamer, for Foochow, &c.

March 16. *Apenrade*, British steamer, for Singapore.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per *Glenlyle*, str., from London, &c.—Miss Newcome, Misses Talbot, Cogen, and 300 Chinese.

Green Island Cement Co.—\$60 per share, buyers.

The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Ltd.—\$130 per share, sales and buyers.

The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Ltd.—\$8 per share, sellers.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—Bank, T. T.2/11

Bank Bills, on demand3/0

Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight3/0

Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight3/0

Creditors at 4 months' sight3/0

Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight3/0

ON PARIS.—Bank, demand3/0

Credits, at 4 months' sight3/0

ON INDIA, T. T.2/18

On Demand2/20

ON SHANGHAI.—Bank, T. T.7/1

Private, 30 days' sight7/2

OPPIUM MARKET.—THIS DAY.

NEW MALWA, per picul.....\$30

(Allowance, Taels 68)

OLD MALWA, per picul.....\$550 to \$600

(Allowance, Taels 68)

NEW PATNA, (without choice) per chest.....\$45

NEW PATNA, (first choice) per chest.....\$55

NEW PATNA, (bottom) per chest.....\$55

NEW PATNA, (second choice) per chest.....\$50

NEW BEARNAIS, (without choice) per chest.....\$50

NEW BEARNAIS, (bottom) per chest.....\$50

NEW PERSIAN (best quality) per picul.....\$50

OLD PERSIAN (best quality) per picul.....\$50

OLD PERSIAN (second quality) per picul.....\$475

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

15th March, 1889.—At 1 p.m.

REPORTS.

The Spanish cruiser *Aragon* reports that she left Manilla on the 12th instant. Experienced strong north-east monsoon and heavy sea with hazy weather.

The British steamship *Kaiyong* reports that she left Tientsin, Chefoo, Shanghai, and Swatow on the 15th instant. Had dull and cloudy weather with strong winds from Shanghai. From Swatow had moderate wind and fine weather.

The British steamship *Glenlyle* reports that she left London on the 1st ultimo, and Singapore on the 10th instant at 8 a.m. Experienced light north-east winds and fine weather till 13th instant; thence to port strong north-east winds and high sea.

Post Office.

MAIL WILL CLOSE For Swatow and Bangkok.—Per *Phra Chula Chem Klae*, to-morrow, the 17th instant, at 8 a.m.

For Haiphong.—Per *Frijsr*, to-morrow, the 17th instant, at 9 a.m.A.M.

For Haiphong.—Per *Marie*, to-morrow, the